(b)- No Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Dropout rate in urban and rural areas

90. SHRI TALARI. MANOHAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the number of sejtoal dropouts in urban and rural areas in the country is increasing alarmingly; and

(b) whether Government consult the State Governments in this regard? ,

THE MINISTER CF" STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE: OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE. DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): (a) The latest available data lor the country as a whole pertain to the year 1985-36, and show a. slight decline in the school drop out rates over the previous year. It must be stressed that the problem of drop outs, particularly in- the case of girls, is a matter of concern aaad a. variety of efforts are on to understand and resolve this-problem.

(b) Strategies for universalising elementary education are regularly discussad. with State Governments.- in various bodies like; the. Central Advisory-Board of Education,

-Broaeut ratio. between beys and girls in the country -

ail. SHRI-TALARI. MANOHAR! Will the- PRIME-' MINISTER ' be pleased' to state. what percentage- of boys and girls in the age group- 5" too 14 years remained out erf school during the las-b three years in the? country, state-vFiae?

THE- MINISTER- OE STATE- IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE. MINISTER, OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY CF HUMAN RESOURCE" DEVELOPMENT (PROF. M. G. K. MENON): Information on children in. the age group 6-f4 years remaining out of school during, the year l986-87 is being estimated with reference to the Fifth All India Educational Survey Data collected, by the. NCERT. This information will be furnished immediately after -the estimation is completed. Data regarding, out of school children in this age group during 1987-88 and IMMH have not been collected. Nor is-an estimation of these data for these two years with reference to osiher: available information feasible.

Registration of cases by CBI against the Principal and TeaohMK of' K/V.S ..

92. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRA-VARTY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: ■

(a) what are the details, of the Principals and teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas against whom the Central Bureau of Investigation has registered cases on various counts during 1988 and 1989;.

(h) what, are the details, of allegations levelled, against each of them; and

(c) the details- of: those-who' have been found: guilty ami or proceeded" Bgainst departmentally?

THE MINISTER OF STATE, IN THE, MINISTRY OF SCIENCE. *AND** TECHNOLOGY WITH ADDITIONAL. CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE: MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE' DBVEIiOP • M.ENT (RRO.B. M.-. G. K MENON): (a) to (c) Information is being-cole lected and will be laid on the Table of the House.- '